IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the text appearing on pages 5 and 6 of the specification, with the following amended paragraph:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The novel features believed characteristic of the invention are set forth in the appended claims. The invention itself, however, as well as a preferred mode of use, further objectives and advantages thereof, will best be understood by reference to the following detailed description of an illustrative embodiment when read in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 depicts a pictorial diagram illustrating a document sharing system 100 for portable computing devices in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the present invention:

Figure 2 depicts a block diagram of a hub in which the present invention may be implemented;

Figure 3 depicts a block diagram of a data processing system in which the present invention may be implemented;

Figure 4 depicts a block diagram of an exemplary personal digital assistant in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the present invention;

Figure 5 depicts a flowchart illustrating the processes of the present invention performed on a hub; and

Figure 6 depicts Figures 6A and 6B depict a flowchart illustrating a method of sending a request for and receiving a document from another HCD in accordance with the present invention;

Figure 7 depicts a flowehart illustrating a method of processing on a computing device for processing a request for a document in accordance with the present invention;

Figure 8 depicts a flowchart illustrating a method on a hub of re-transmitting requests for documents and the requested documents to computing devices in accordance with the present invention; and

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Figure 9 depicts a flowchart illustrating a method on a hub of determining whether other hubs are active in the vicinity of the present hub in accordance with the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph appearing on page 17, line 23, to page 18, line 1, of the specification, with the following amended paragraph:

Referring now to Figure 6 Figures 6A and 6B, a flowchart a flowchart is depicted illustrating the processes of the present invention performed on a hub. To begin, the HCD receives an event (step 601). Next, the HCD determines if the event is a request for a list of present HCDs from the hub (step 602). If the event is a request for a list of present HCDs, then the HCD packs the request (step 604) and sends the request to the hub (step 606). The HCD then waits for the next event (step 601). --